



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 280

February Session, 2016

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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN'S
NOTICE TO NURSING HOME RESIDENTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 17b-352 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2016*):

4 (d) Any facility acting pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection (b)
5 of this section shall provide written notice, at the same time it submits
6 its letter of intent, to all patients, guardians or conservators, if any, or
7 legally liable relatives or other responsible parties, if known, and shall
8 post such notice in a conspicuous location at the facility. The facility's
9 written notice shall be accompanied by an informational letter issued
10 jointly from the Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman and the
11 Department on Aging on patients' rights and services available as they
12 relate to the letter of intent. The notice shall state the following: [(A)]
13 (1) The projected date the facility will be submitting its certificate of
14 need application, [(B)] (2) that only the [department] Department of
15 Social Services has the authority to either grant, modify or deny the
16 application, [(C)] (3) that the [department] Department of Social
17 Services has up to ninety days to grant, modify or deny the certificate
18 of need application, [(D)] (4) a brief description of the reason or
19 reasons for submitting a request for permission, [(E)] (5) that no patient

20 shall be involuntarily transferred or discharged within or from a
21 facility pursuant to state and federal law because of the filing of the
22 certificate of need application, [(F)] (6) that all patients have a right to
23 appeal any proposed transfer or discharge, and [(G)] (7) the name,
24 mailing address and telephone number of the Office of the Long-Term
25 Care Ombudsman and local legal aid office.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	July 1, 2016	17b-352(d)
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HS *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*

AGE *Joint Favorable*